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"Serve the Church that the Church  
May Serve You."

## CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH BLAIRMORE

Rev. James McKevey, Minister

Services Sunday next:  
11:00 a.m., Senior school.  
2:00 p.m., Junior school.  
7:30 p.m., Public Worship.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, BLAIRMORE

Reverend Rev. W. E. Brown

The First Sunday in Lent:  
Sunday school 12:30 noon.  
Evensong 7:30 p.m.

Thursday:

Was Intercession and Lenten service 7:30 p.m.; Choir practice 8 p.m.  
Wednesday, Friday and Saturday are Ember days, when we pray for the ministry of our church.  
Saturday: St. Matthias' Day.

## SALVATION ARMY, COLEMAN

Captain and Mrs. T. Smith,  
Officers in charge.

Sunday services:

9 a.m., Holiness meeting.  
9:45 a.m., Directory class.  
11 a.m., Sunday school.  
7:30 p.m., Salvation Army.  
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Red Cross Auxiliary and Home League.  
Thursday: 8 p.m., Prayers meeting.  
Funerals, dedications and marriages on application to the local officers.

## HILLCREST UNITED CHURCH

Services every Sunday at 8 p.m.

11 p.m., Sunday school.

Services at 7:30 p.m. every Sunday.

COWLEY UNITED CHURCH

Services alternate Sunday mornings at 11 o'clock.

Rev. W. H. IRWIN, Minister.

## BELLEVUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Evangelist: Alfred Siple

10:30 a.m., Sunday school.

11:30 a.m., Morning service.

We preach the Victory Life of Christ, and invite you.

Customs collections for the port of

Granbrook for the month of January

amounted to \$32,220.

Coleman pool week, 14 and under,

will represent Coleman in the provincial

bantam hockey playdowns in Calgary

in March. The team is being

sponsored by L. S. Richards, of the

Grand Union hotel.

## LEGION ASKS PRIME MINISTER FOR EARLY MANPOWER ACTION

The Canadian Legion in a brief presented to Prime Minister Mackenzie King this week called for prompt review of the war manpower policy to allow the early return to Canada of men with long service overseas.

The Legion renewed demands for NRMA personnel to be made available for service anywhere, and said that when demobilization came, veterans would only be satisfied with a "first-in, first-out" plan.

The brief said the present policy of keeping men at the front until they are either killed or seriously wounded or become the victims of battle fatigue was nothing short of laxity toward the welfare of Canadian soldiers.

Alex. Walker, Dominion president of the Legion, headed the delegation which waited on the prime minister, and which included E. J. Struthers, Dominion second vice-president; J. C. C. Herwig, general secretary; R. Hale, chief pensions officer, and Lt.-Col. D. E. McIntyre, general manager of Legion War Services.

The brief also requested important changes in the pension and rehabilitation programmes. Included in these were: Application of the "insurance principle" to pensions; changes in succession duties to exempt disability or widow's pensions; revision of the dual pension scheme applicable to veterans of the present and great war; discretionary power to allow payment of war gratuities to soldiers' estates in some cases where dependents' allowances are not paid; provisions for veterans' housing in urban areas and additional financial assistance to veterans in establishing themselves in small businesses; rehabilitation benefits to auxiliary service personnel serving with the troops overseas; reduction in the interest rates charged under the Great War Soldier Settlement Plan to facilitate reduction of outstanding debts.

## HANDICAPPED WORKERS

There was a time, and not so long ago, when people who were heavily handicapped by the loss of hands, arms or legs, with impaired sight or hearing, or other serious disabilities, were regarded as removed from the ranks of effective labor. The world's work must be done, but they could hope for little share in the doing of it.

Whether due to greater imagination and skill in overcoming handicaps or to the pressure of war needs, notable progress is being made in overcoming disabilities which used to be regarded as insuperable. The employment and selective service offices of the Dominion labor department have announced that more than 3,000 such handicapped people have been placed in full employment in recent months. These, at least, are no longer on the sidelines, but are taking their full share in the war effort.

## Canadian Pacific Sailors Decorated for Wartime Service



**SEVENTY ON HONOR ROLL:** Their awards among 70 such entries on Canadian Pacific Steamships' honor roll for wartime sea service, these C.P.R. sailors have been honored by the King and by Lloyd's of London. From left: Second Mate M. D. Atkins, M.B.E., 20, survivor of the sinking of both the Empress of Asia and Empress of Canada; Chief Engineer T. M. Atkinson, M.B.E., veteran of "continued service in dangerous waters, chiefly in the North Atlantic"; Capt. R. McGillop, M.B.E., highly praised for his handling of a C.P.R.-operated ship on D-Day; and Chief Engineer E. E. Vick, O.B.E., awarded Lloyd's War Medal late in 1944 "for bravery at sea".

—Aklavik Photo by Kras, Vancouver.

employment in recent months. These, at least, are no longer on the sidelines, but are taking their full share in the war effort.

Moreover, many letters testify that the handicapped worker, once fitted in, not only makes good, but often does better work than the average person in good health. The cases successfully dealt with include 111 who lost hands, 42 with one arm, 37 who lost both feet, 67 with leg amputations, 195 who are partially blind, and so on. This success has been gained by specialized training and by carefully selecting the kind of work which lay within the limited capacity of the disabled person. The department is to be commended in this regard and it is to be hoped that the activities will be steadily extended.

## Sexagesima, 1945.

My Dear People:  
January, the month of annual meetings, elections and statements, is now over and on February 14th Lent began. As I made out our church returns for the secretary-treasurer of our Diocese, I had to thank God for the progress made during 1944. Let our motto be "Advance" in the year 1945, and make it one of progress and development.

The war pews is good. A little group never fails to come to St. Luke's every Thursday at 7:30 to pray for peace and for those who serve. Their prayers are being answered. The experience of the past six years has made the maintenance of the Christian faith terribly difficult to many, but it has also reinforced the power of faith to meet human need. It has sharpened and refined man's faculty of spiritual perception. Men turn to religion now for some grain of meaning and purpose in a world which seems to have lost both. In the life of Jesus, there is laid bare to man the innermost reason and purpose which was in the mind of God. The quality of His life, the stuff of its faith and thought and action are the clue to the true quality and stuff of human life.

In Christ alone is the truth, the sanity, the health and blessedness of man. Slowly and reluctantly we are being won to the fact, unpalatable to many that we are dependant, not only for life, but for power to live that life, upon sources of grace and truth other than our own. Those who look for new life, to replace the shattered life of the world, and for the light by which to find it, must look to one person—to Christ. There is no other.

Now for Lent, and may it be a time of spiritual uplift for us all. I again ask and appeal for your presence at worship in St. Luke's.

Your help in the work of our church;  
Your offerings for the support of our church.

Yours sincerely,  
W. E. Brown.

## COWLEY HAPPENINGS

Miss Polly Faminow, who is attending the Garbutt Business College in Lethbridge, spent the week end at home with the family.

Mrs. Raymond Ford, of Athabasca, is on an extended visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Murphy. Mrs. Ford's husband is serving in the forces overseas. Mrs. Murphy and Mrs. Ford are sisters.

Mrs. I. Christie, Dick Alexander, and Mr. and Mrs. Alexander, of Pincher Creek, were among those who attended the Red Cross party held here on Tuesday evening of this week.

On Thursday evening last, the monthly meeting of the AFU was held in the Masonic hall here. Principal interests were the reports given by the representatives who attended the AFU convention recently held in Edmonton. Delegates to the convention were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cload, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Webber and Harold Lewis.

The fortnightly card party and dance held here on Tuesday evening in aid of the Red Cross was well attended as on previous occasions. Progressive whist was in order, with the prizes being awarded to Mrs. F. A. Tustian, ladies' first; Miss Doris Wilhnan, consolation; Michael Elton, gent's first; John Musgrave, consolation. Mrs. Wilfrid Fortier and Mrs. X. C. Kaupp were hostesses for the evening. Wilfrid Fortier acted as master of ceremonies. Music for the dance was supplied by Alvin Murphy and Kenneth Martin.

The Cowley Young People's Society were entertained on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin. Arrangements are under way to hold a tea on Saturday afternoon, February 17th, for the purpose of raising funds to put the old tennis courts in order and to make in readiness a basketball court in shape for

## GREAT HELP TO

### UNMARRIED-MOTHERS

Over half a million unmarried mothers have been helped by The Salvation Army during the past sixty years, although this is one department of their work that receives little publicity, owing to its confidential character.

We all know how greatly this problem is aggravated in wartime and in its sixteen homes and fifteen hospitals across Canada and Newfoundland, 1,675 mothers and 1,378 babies were cared for in 1944.

Concerts and lectures are arranged to help pass the time and they learn how to become good housewives, take courses in home-nursing and baby care, knit and sew. Most of the babies are adopted into good homes, some of the girls marry and others are able to arrange to keep their babies. All nationalities and types of girls from every walk of life come for help, knowing their secret will be guarded zealously and they will be able, in many instances, to return to their home towns with no fear of ever having their secret discovered.

There are as many stories as there are girls, but one that recently came to our attention is the story of a girl who was persuaded by a discharged navy man to hitch-hike across the Dominion with him. They went from pillar to post and eventually arrived in an eastern city, both under-nourished to the point where they had to have hospital care. When there, the girl was contacted by The Salvation Army and she is now awaiting her baby in one of their homes, surrounded with loving care. When she leaves she will be better equipped to meet the world after having been helped through this very difficult period.

Playing when spring weather permits the indulgence of out-of-door sports.

## LOCAL MINER KILLED

Martin Stevaluk, well known local miner, met death in the number three level of Greenhill mine shortly after noon on Friday last through a cave in. His partner, Martin Bella, suffered slight injuries.

The pillar collapsed without warning, covering Stevaluk to the shoulders, while it caught Bella around the lower limbs. Both were found in a prone position.

Rescuers immediately set to work to extract them. Stevaluk died before reaching the surface.

Stevaluk came to Blairmore in 1942 and is survived by his wife and two sons, one of them in the army. He arrived Wednesday night to attend the funeral. Requiem high mass was held in St. Anne's church on Thursday forenoon, and the remains were laid to rest in St. Anne's cemetery. Around one hundred miners attended.

An inquest was conducted by Donald MacPherson at the Union hall last night and was largely attended.

## FIREBOSSSES' BARGAIN- ING REPRESENTATIVES

It was announced at Ottawa last week by the Wartime Labor Relations Board (national) that it had certified bargaining representatives in the following cases:

Western Canada Firebosses' Association, District No. 1 (T & L C) and Messrs. W. Patterson, J. McIsaac, A. Grant and J. T. Griffiths were certified as bargaining representatives for the firebosses employed by Crows' Nest Pass Coal Company Limited, Fernie, Michel, Coal Creek and Elk River, B.C.; International Coal and Coke Company Limited, Coleman, Alberta; McGillivray Creek Coal and Coke Company Limited, Coleman, Alberta; Western Canadian Collieries Limited, Blairmore, Bellevue and Byron Creek, Alberta; and Hillcrest-Mohawk Collieries Limited, Bellevue, Alberta.

National Union of Firebosses, Local No. 1 (CCL) and Messrs. James Gentry, John Young, William B. Henry, Andrew Black, Jr., and Frank Crane were certified bargaining representatives for the firebosses of sixteen coal mining companies in the Drumheller district and represented by the Drumheller Coal Operators Association.

## REINSTATEMENT OF SCHOOL TEACHERS

A note of warning that school boards must be prepared to reinstate any of their teachers who have been serving with the armed forces was sounded by Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, minister of labor, in a statement issued to the press.

"In a few cases which have come to the notice of the department of labor," the labor minister said, "it appears that some school boards have got into difficulties by forgetting that the reinstatement in civil employment act requires them to reinstate their teachers after discharge from the armed services, just as other employees must be reinstated. School boards should protect themselves when engaging substitutes to replace teachers who have gone into the armed services, by inserting a clause in the contract that the engagement of the substitute may be terminated after the return of the teacher from the forces."

The minister said that some school boards have taken the necessary precautions, and that so far cases where difficulties have arisen are not numerous. However, he expressed the hope that all boards would make the necessary provision in engaging teachers as replacements for those with the services.

Boards might well consult with the Employment and Selective Service officers, which administer the Reinstatement in Civil Employment Act.

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## UNDER A ROOF IN PARIS

Over in one corner of CBC's playhouse studios, there's a pause in rehearsal while Gabrielle, singing star of "Music for Canadians," and J. Frank Willis look over a song, "It's 'Under a Roof in Paris,'" and it's a favorite with the Parisian songstress, who is heard on Sundays over the CBC Dominion network at 7:30 p.m. CDT.



WORLD HAPPENINGS  
BRIEFLY TOLD

Grapes have been selling in open market at Dublin for 28 shillings (about \$6.40) a pound.

Bicycle wheels that pump up their own tires and keep punctured tires hard are being made by a Liverpool firm.

Miss Emmeline Berry, Bourne-mouth, Eng., who died Aug. 2, left most of her \$1,000,000 estate to the executor to reduce the national debt.

American airmen now are almost entirely enlisted in armor when making missions over Germany. Their few tank suits have a specially hardened steel back as well as front.

The sixth world jamboree of boy scouts will be held near Paris within six months after the end of the war in Europe, Pierre Deluc, international scout commissioner, announced.

Ontarians are the greatest users of electricity in the world, according to the London Economist. The consumption per person is five times as high as in the United States.

Admiral Sir Harold M. Burroughs has been appointed naval commander of Allied expeditionary forces under Gen. Eisenhower, in succession to the late Admiral Sir Bertram Ramsay.

In Adelaide, Australia, a factory which had been making hand grenades has switched over to alarm clocks. Before the war Australia imported 600,000 clocks a year and made none herself.

Goebels has \$1,850,000 in Buenos Aires, plus \$500,000 in bonds in the Osaka branch of the Bank of Japan. Rudolf Hess is supposed to have tucked away \$400,000 in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

## Usually Works

Fireman Called In Emergency Evidently Understood Small Boys

A young mother was having great difficulty with her three-year-old son, who had locked himself in the bathroom and either could not or would not unlock the door. Finally, in desperation, she called the fire department.

After a brief wait, a burly fire captain ran up the front steps with an axe in one hand, a fire extinguisher in the other. She explained her predicament but instead of going back for a ladder, he asked her the sex of the child. When she told him, he climbed the stairs and said in his most authoritative voice, "You come out, little girl!" Aroused at being called a little girl, the boy unlocked the door and marched out to confront the fireman.

"It works just about every time," exclaimed the grinning captain—Reader's Digest.

## QUICK DRYING PAINT

In a newly developed infra-red tunnel process, articles which have received their coat of paint are dried in one sixteenth of the time occupied by the normal method. A military general purpose car can be dried in 30 minutes after being spray-painted with two coats of enamel, says a report from London.

## FOR RUSSIA'S SOLDIERS

A dairy products firm in Southboro, Mass., is manufacturing "Crispy Tushons." It's a canned meat and vegetable hash combination that serves as a type of K-ration for Russia's armed forces.

## LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By Fred Neher



"Mrs. Donohue's husband has the best taste in clothes—why can't your pants look as well on me as his do on her?"

## Armoured Train Engine Disguised As Box Car

One of the best known diesel locomotives in Canada—the 9000 of the Canadian National Railway—has just been discharged from military service. On the secret list since shortly after the start of the war, the 9000 had been completely remodelled in the railway's Transcona shops to furnish the power for an armoured train. These shops also converted four all-steel Canadian National flat cars and three all-steel box cars for this train, which was used in British Columbia until the Japanese invasion menace disappeared. The locomotive was covered with armour plate and camouflaged to look like a box car, making it difficult for the enemy to spot it in case of attack.

At present, the 9000 is in the C.N.R. shops at Point St. Charles having its armour plate removed and other changes effected to fit it for passenger service. All of the cars have been stripped of their war dress and are back in regular freight service.

The Canadian National Railway pioneered the development of diesel power for railway service in Canada. This was in June, 1925, when it introduced the first oil electric rail car. This unit, the first in North America to make a transcontinental run, was designed and built in the

company's shops. On its trial run it was operated between Montreal and Vancouver in 67 hours running time. By the end of 1928, the 9000, which was Canada's first diesel locomotive, made its appearance. This twin unit was then the largest and most powerful locomotive of its kind in the world. Later, converted to a single unit engine, the 9000 had been on various passenger and freight runs, chiefly in the Central Region of the National System, until the outbreak of the war.

When the 9000 went into war service, its 12-cylinder engine was replaced with a new V-type, two cycle, 16-cylinder engine.

Above, a section of the armoured train. Below, the 9000.

## Found Rooms Intact

Newspaper Man Also Fooled When French Janitor Fooled Gestapo  
Dick de Rochemont of Time and Life, has an apartment in Paris. One day, while he was away in Unoccupied France, the Gestapo came. The concierge said that he had no key, but would have one the next day. That night the concierge moved all of de Rochemont's belongings, and the Gestapo found the rooms bare. They rented the rooms for themselves and, as is customary there, paid the rent regularly, every three months in advance, up until a few days before Paris was liberated. When de Rochemont flew from New York to Paris, he found his apartment with his belongings intact, plus 15 days' rent paid for by the Gestapo.

## For Cargo Only

One Ship Company Is Planning To Limit Passenger Accommodation  
The London Daily Mail says at least one of Britain's most famous shipping companies is planning to scrap all first-class accommodation in its future ships, in the belief that after the war passengers who once paid for first-class tickets will want to travel by air instead.

The company in question hopes itself, to supply the air liners for them. Its surface ships of the future will cater almost entirely for cargo.

Limited passenger accommodation, to be offered at relatively low rates, will be intended for people who like sea travel for its own sake.

One bushel of potato "eyes," used as seed will produce between 10 and 15 bushels of potatoes.

## Not Good Business

American Manufacturers Did Not Consider Feelings Of Chinese Customers

A Chinese friend gives us this example of the American manufacturer's inept way of dealing with foreign customers: "In China, white is the mourning color; red is the color of joy and happiness. Despite this—before the war—American-made goods continued to reach China wrapped in white paper, whereas German packages were of firecracker red. And no amount of arguing with the Americans could make them change their ways—make them 'see red!' The good old American feeling of self-confidence—but not good business.—Detroit Times.

Snakes, because of the elastic hinges on their jaws, are able to swallow prey four times larger than the normal diameter of their throats.

## THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



## REG'LAR FELLERS—Killing Two Birds



## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FEBRUARY 18

## TREASURES OF THE KINGDOM

Memory Selection: Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom can be no variation, neither shadow that is cast by turning. James 1:17.  
Lesson: Matthew 13:1-14.  
Devotional Reading: Philipians 3:7-14.

Text Explained With Comments  
Mercy versus Sacrifice, Matthew 12:1-8.

Honour, Belong versus Property, Matthew 12:13-14.  
Many Healed, Matthew 12:15-21.  
Accommodation of Pharisees, Matthew 12:22-27.

The Pharisees' Craving for a Sign Rehearsed, Matthew 12:28-35.  
Spiritual Kindred of Jesus, Matthew 12:46-50.

Parables of The Sower, The Tares, The Mustard Seed, and The Leaven, Matthew 13:1-35.

Parables of the Kingdom: The Hidden Treasure; The Pearl of Great Price; Matthew 13:44-46. In the first parable the Kingdom of Heaven is found by a glad accident: in the second, after diligent, systematic quest. To hide treasure in a field was a common way of concealing it: see Mt. 25:25. That the treasure legally belonged to the man in whose field it was found is a moral point not considered in any way in the parable. A parable is given to teach one central truth, and should not be considered in all its possible bearings on other points. The pearl, rather than the diamond, was the most valued of the precious stones in the Kingdom of Heaven is of such supreme importance that one should willingly sacrifice everything for its attainment.

The Parable of the Drag-Net; The Application to the Disciples, Matthew 13:47-53. In the two former parables the thought is about what should be done in this life, while here the emphasis is upon what will be done in the future life. Possibly Matthew gave this parable last in order to close the series with a picture of the judgment.

A Prophet without Honor, Matthew 13:54-58.

John the Baptist Rehearsed, Matthew 14:1-12.

The Feeding of the Five Thousand, Matthew 14:13-21.

Walking on the Water, Matthew 14:22-33.

## A Sure Proof

New Powder Developed For Use In Detection Of Thieves

British scientists, ever alert for new ideas, have developed a powder which is used not to catch husbands, but to catch thieves. When sprayed into the air—around a bank vault, for example—it is invisible, but it shows up under violet rays. A man suspected of having paid a nocturnal visit to the bank vault would make an involuntary confession if the violet rays showed his clothes to be covered with powder.—New York Herald Tribune.

## Sanctions Registry



King Peter of Yugoslavia, who has agreed to transfer his powers to a regency council to be chosen by himself and has appointed Premier Ivan Subasic to put into effect an agreement with Marshal Tito for a coalition government.

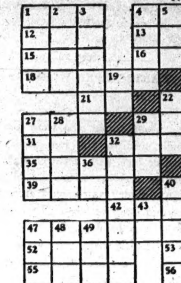
## Library Of Information

Has Proved Its Value To Farmers And Others

The Departmental Library of the Dominion Department of Agriculture has again proved its usefulness to farmers, agricultural students, and scientists. Total loans by the Library for the 12 months ended March 31, 1944, amounted to 36,866 publications. These include books, pamphlets, periodicals, microfilms, photographs, pictures, and inter-library loans. During the year also, the Library staff supplied specific information in answer to numerous requests, including facts for the compilation of biographies.

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE

No. 4924



HORIZONTAL  
1 Possesses  
4 Tibetan priest  
8 Rockfish  
13 Silk-worm  
14 To give entrance  
17 To give forth  
18 Sped  
19 Small ante-chamber  
20 African chief's residence  
21 Babylonian deity  
22 Possessive pronoun  
23 Floor covering  
27 Hindu weight  
28 Melody  
30 Criminal  
31 Stilt  
32 Viper  
33 Footlike part  
34 Japanese measure  
35 Diagram consisting of dots and lines

37 To show deference to  
38 Evil  
39 To leak  
40 Headgear  
41 Cooled lava  
42 Backward  
44 Sportive child  
47 Keeper of records  
48 To wash  
51 Monk  
52 Sacred bull  
53 Snake-like fish

54 To drink  
55 Taunt  
56 Large knife  
57 Abstract being

VERTICAL  
1 Chief Greek goddess  
2 Laid off  
3 Ireland  
4 To entertain  
5 To wash  
6 Fruit of tree  
7 Man's title  
8 Makes a deduction from  
9 Australian bird  
10 Nothing  
11 Consumed  
12 Pronoun  
13 Note of scale  
14 Part of body  
15 Italian article  
16 Venetian name  
17 Wife of Geraint  
18 Mithery  
19 Country in Europe  
20 Tree  
21 Not many  
22 To notify  
23 Contender  
24 Diphthong  
25 Dull  
26 To confuse  
27 Abominable  
28 Mithery  
29 Bone  
30 Gaelic  
31 Persian  
32 Slumbers  
33 Cloth  
34 Final  
35 Projecting  
36 Beverage

Answer to / No. 4923  
GRAPES VAPOR  
TRAPERS VAPOR  
ROPE RAZOR  
AVERAGED RILE  
NEARER RIGOR  
FIREFIGHTERS  
PIERS PENT  
ROOFS PLEASANT  
ODDS PRATER NO  
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## HEALTH IS A PRICELESS ASSET

The general acceptance of the phrase—"Health is a Priceless Asset"—is manifested in the greatly increased attention being paid to health habits throughout civilization. Departments of Public Health, national and local, are busy in improving conditions of sanitation, pure foods, immunization, and other phases which contribute to better health.

Newspapers, the periodical press, posters and radio advise us what to eat, and drink and wear, and in general how to conduct ourselves that we may be well and happy right to a very ripe old age.

One striking fact shows the efficiency of these admonitions. In Canada in 1921, there were 71,350 men and women reported in the 75-79 age class. In 1941 this number had increased to 155,005. In other words, our 75-year-olds had almost doubled in number in 20 years. Continued and improving good health habits, communal and personal, should see this figure doubled in the next 20 years.

Health Week is being promoted by the Health League of Canada as a means of drawing to public attention the fact that "Health is a Priceless Asset." Messages concerning health will be delivered through churches, schools, service clubs, homes, and school clubs, women's and other organizations.

It is the hope of the League, a voluntary organization interested in health education, that the "Week" will help bring Canadians to the realization that it is imperative that they become health conscious. The future will demand good health of the Dominion's citizens who are now urged to get interested in the public health problems of their communities and also of the nation at large.

Canadians must remember that health is not a parochial problem alone.

## BY GENE BYRNES





# MACDONALD'S BRIAN

Canada's Standard Smoke

## OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY

### Chuting Pains

BY HARRY LUGAUER

McClure Newspaper Syndicate

"And if your chutes don't open, be sure you pack 'em better next time." Top Sergeant Conners, giving last minute instructions to eleven parachute battalion rookies lined up before him, grinned in appreciation of his quip.

A few of the trainees returned smiles—perfunctory, skin-deep smiles. But all eyes were grim. For this was to be their first real jump; no more hopping from a twelve-foot platform—this would be a life or death leap of seven hundred and fifty feet. This, too, would be a dramatic test of how well were spent the days of learning to pack parachutes, of running and tumbling callisthenics.

On cheat and back were strapped parachutes. If, ran the instructions, after counting—one . . . two . . . three . . . four—your regular parachute doesn't open, pull the ripcord of the emergency chute on your chest—and pray. The top sergeant's grin changed to a frown. "That's all—let's be off," he barked.

The men fell out, turned, and jogged across the field, toward a huge plane. "I guess," Bill Temple said to his buddy, Brian Lewis, "the top kick thought that crack was funny?"

"Yeah," returned Brian. "It was funny, all right—as funny as a tail-spin over a volcano."

A few minutes later a galaxy of floating parachutes signaled success—the rookies were full-fledged paratroopers. Bill and Brian's friendship proved the old adage that opposites attract. Bill, solid and stocky, was built along the lines of the truck he had driven before joining the battalion. Curly, reddish-blond hair topped a hard yet not unhandsome face. He impressed people who didn't know him as rough and tough. But he was really the type that helps old ladies across streets and gives nickels to crying kids.

Brian, much as the words are overworked, was tall, dark and handsome. He had been a school teacher. When Bill asked why he had volunteered for the most hazardous service in the

## "YOUR BREAD IS TOPS!"



ENSURES EASY  
BAKING—MAKES  
LUSCIOUS, SWEET,  
TASTING, EVEN-  
TEXTURED LOAVES

WRAPPED AIRTIGHT  
TO PROTECT POTENCY—  
ALWAYS DEPENDABLE!

Army, Brian grinned and replied, "I don't know—maybe I'm a fugitive from a piastachio emporium."

"That night, over coffee at Noley Nick's, the two talked about the day's event."

"Brian," confessed Bill, "I was scared stiff. I jumped because I didn't want the other guys to think I was yellow."

"It was not sound true, but I wasn't afraid—not a bit," Brian emphasized. "When some people are on the roof's edge of a tall building, they get an almost irresistible urge to jump off. It's a recognized psychological phenomenon."

"Ruh?" said Bill.

"They know they'll break their conks but still they want to jump," Brian explained. "I felt that way up there today and . . ."

The swish of swinging kitchen doors interrupted Brian's words. Out pushed a girl, dressed in a trim blue and white uniform. Bill and Brian followed her with their eyes as she walked to a front booth; stared when she sat down and began folding napkins. Bill gave a long, low whistle.

"She looked as pretty as three plums on the last dot machine hekel."

"I could eat a couple hamburgers," grinned Bill. "Over in a booth."

"Double that," said Brian.

From that time on, the friendship of Bill and Brian cooled until it frost.

Brian was head man with Carol—that was her name—and Bill was a victim of the old green-eyed monster. Carol was sorry. She tried to smooth things over. "I've got a nice, fried, Bill, and—"

"Carol!" Brian told her sadly, "Bill is as stubborn as a herd of Missouri mules. He won't even speak to me."

The transport plane banked sharply, then roared ahead at eight hundred feet. The paratroopers were ready to jump. One, two, three bodies fell away from the cabin door. Each chute had been first attached to the static line—a long wire-cable that opens the parachute before the jumper has fallen a hundred feet.

Now it was Bill's turn. He snapped on the static line—jumped. Down . . . down . . . down. At 40 feet a ribbon of silk came from his back, the chute caught the wind, started to open. The static line swung free.

Just then the plane hit an air pocket. The chute had been first attached to the static line—a long wire-cable that opens the parachute before the jumper has fallen a hundred feet.

White-faced, Bill's fellow chutists watched from the cabin door. Brian was among them. He sized things up, made a decision. Rapidly he unclipped and pulled off his heavy boots, whipped an open-bladed knife from a leg strap and gripped it, pirate-like, between his teeth. Seizing the pendulum static line, he slid over the door and down until his feet found support on the line's projecting attachment device. Then, like a boy on a playground swing, he pumped with his body. Bill watched, fascinated.

After minutes that seemed hours Brian could swing to within arm's length of the chute's snarled ropes. He reached—missed—swung back. Again he swept near, stretching, straining—grabbed and held. He wrapped his long legs around the ropes, regaining his breath. Bill was sobbing. "Brian, good old Brian."

Brian took the knife from his mouth. "Emergency chute O.K.?" he yelled.

"Yeah," Bill called back.

Brian slashed away at the tangle over Bill's chest. Bill felt; his emergency chute streamed out, billowed open.

Brian dropped. One . . . two . . . three . . . four—pulled the rip-cord.

Carol gasped when Bill and Brian, smiling, stroled into Nick's that evening.

Bill's face turned pink when he saw Carol. "Hello," he said sheepishly. "Ah—er—Brian tells me your girl's to a show tonight. Give that girl friend a buzz—maybe we can make it a double date."

INTERESTING DISPLAY

Anti-tank guns made from drain pipes, pipes made from kitchen knives and broomsticks and other improvised Home Guard weapons of the dark days of 1940 are being collected for display in the Imperial War Museum.

## Package Bees

Importation From Southern States Promises To Be Heavy

The importation of package bees from the Southern States is an important feature of Canadian beekeeping, and so great has been the demand that many beekeepers have already placed their orders months ago.

For those who have not already ordered their bees for the spring, there still may be a possibility of obtaining them, if the orders are given at once, Dominion Apiarist C. B. Gooderham says that the demand for package bees is at an all-time high, and that United States producers have been booked to capacity for some time. However, although hampered by shortage of labour and materials, some of these southern producers now hope to be able to make additional deliveries in the late spring. But present supplies of package bees are so limited that representatives of Western Canadian honey producing organizations made special trips to Southern States last fall to contract for their spring needs. And many other old customers have placed their orders months ago.

These are the reasons why Mr. Gooderham says, "Order your package bees now or you'll be disappointed. And," he warns, "you may be disappointed anyway."

Full information on how to order package bees and how to care for them is given in Special Pamphlet "Package Bees" which may be obtained from the Dominion Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

Remember those barbecues last summer around the backyard fireplace? Remember how informal they were—and how much fun? No bother. Just everybody gathered around, having a good time. Why not try the same indoors, with your fireplace as the centre of a small and friendly group—another couple, perhaps, a neighbor, or a few kids from a nearby camp? For wartime entertaining, it's ideal.

It's ideal because it's easy and economical, but there's a warm friendliness that emanates from a group gathered around a glowing fire. This is important. It needn't be large, this fireplace party. Sunday night is the perfect time. Let it be one of those drop-in-when-you-can affairs, when you can drink served from a coffee table on the hearth. A good menu follows:

**Hot Spiced Cider**  
Cheese Tidbits  
New Zealand Kisses  
Nuts  
Red and White Peppercorn

**CHEESE TIDBITS**  
1/2 cup butter  
1 egg separated  
1 cup soft cheese, grated  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon dry mustard  
1 teaspoon paprika  
1/2 cup oven popped rice cereal  
2 1/2 inch bread cubes (cut from unsliced loaf)

Blend butter and egg yolk well; add cheese, salt and mustard and thoroughly rolled cereal; mix thoroughly. Add stiffly beaten egg white and blend well. Spread mixture on five sides of bread cubes. Arrange on baking sheet and bake in a moderate oven (350 deg. F.) 12 to 15 minutes. Serve at once. Yield: 24 tidbits.

**HOT SPICED CIDER**  
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar  
1/4 cup apple juice  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon cloves  
1 teaspoon allspice  
3 sticks cinnamon  
Grating of nutmeg  
2 quarts sweet cider

Thoroughly mix brown sugar, salt and spices; add to sweet cider and simmer for 10 minutes; strain through cheese-cloth and reheat. This is best served steaming hot in earthen mugs. Yield: 8 portions.

**NEW ZEALAND KISSES**  
1/4 cup shortening  
1/4 cup sugar  
1/4 cup butter  
1/4 cup flour  
1/4 cup baking powder  
1/4 cup finely chopped dates  
2 cups corn flakes

Blend shortening and sugar thoroughly; add egg and beat until light and fluffy. Sift flour with baking powder and salt; add to first mixture with dates; mix well. Mold mixture by teaspoonful into balls. Crush corn flakes into coarse crumbs. Roll balls of dough in crumbs and flatten on greased baking sheet. Bake in slow oven (350 degrees F.) about 30 minutes. Remove from pan while warm. Yield: 3 dozen cookies (1 1/2 inches in diameter).

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## Empire Youth Sunday

Importation From Southern States Promises To Be Heavy

Empire-Wide Competition For A Poster To Be Used In Observance

Last year the National Council of Education, of Canada, announced an Empire-wide competition for a poster to be used in connection with the observance of Empire Youth Sunday, 1946—the date of which has now been fixed for June 10th. The contest was declared to be open to school pupils, art students and members of youth organizations wherever the flag flies. A first prize of fifty pounds was offered for the best poster, a second prize of twenty-five pounds for the next best design and five additional prizes of five pounds each.

Those sponsoring the observance of Empire Youth Sunday every year since 1937 feel that the integration of the youth of the Empire, and of the world is an essential step to the establishment of peaceful relations between nations in the post-war period and for all time.

A number of Canadians entered the competition. The best posters from each outlying part of the Empire were sent to the London committee of judges appointed by Major F. J. Ney, M.C., L.L.D., founder of Empire Youth Sunday.

The awards have now been made. One of the prizes goes to Leonard Francis of the Hamilton Technical Institute, Hamilton, Ont., and the other contestants in different parts of the Empire. The fifty pound prize was captured by a South African student; the second prize by a Sheffield, England, lad and the other prizes by students in Glasgow, Kenya Colony and the Gold Coast.

The prize money has been distributed by Dr. R. Fletcher of Winnipeg, honorary treasurer of the National Council. The competition has served as an advance notice of this year's Empire Youth Sunday celebration, for which preparations are under way in the several Provincial Departments of Education and the various religious bodies of Canada. The day will be marked by parades and demonstrations on the part of youth organizations throughout the Dominion and other parts of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

The object of annual celebration is to assist in inspiring young people in all British lands to play a serious and constructive role in post-war effort to establish a better world.

**JACK MINER**  
By Edgar A. Guest

When the geese come back in the spring  
And learn that their friend has gone,  
I wonder will they take to wing  
And try to follow him on?

When they look for their friend again,  
As they've done in the years before,  
Will they stay with us who remain  
Or seek him the wide world o'er?

They loved him, the young and the old,  
Wild geese and the whistling swan!  
What then, when the flocks are gone?  
The man who was kind has told?

There were hunters wherever they flew  
And snares for the careless wing.  
Now, if they grieve for the friend they knew,  
When the birds come back in the spring.

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Editor's Note: When I saw this beautiful Eddie Guest piece about "Uncle Jack" in an Eastern paper, permission to republish had to be obtained from the George Matthew Adams Service of New York which syndicates these and other authors' works. We found a real friend of "Uncle Jack's" in the President who wrote:

January, 1945.  
444 Madison Ave., New York.  
"For some reason your kind letter of December got mixed up in a big mess of correspondence. I am so sorry because anything that would honor the memory of Jack Miner has my sincere endorsement. For years I was a great admirer of him and the wonderful work he did in this world, and I am happy to know there are those who will carry on his work. Sure, go ahead and use the Edgar Guest piece."

Sgd. GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS, President.

**TIPS ABOUT EGGS**  
Never wash eggs except just before using . . . there is a protective film on the shell that helps keep it fresh. Wipe eggs with a damp cloth if necessary. Wrap cracked eggs individually in wax paper, twist the ends together tightly so the eggs can be cooked without the innards seeping out. In slicing hard cooked eggs dip your knife in cold water and the yolk won't crumble.

The headquarters of the San Francisco river in Brazil are 1,700 miles from the sea.

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### George Medal



Capt. Herbert William Mulhrein, 22, of Grand Falls, N.B., who has been awarded the George Medal for the rescue of an unconscious South African pilot from a burning plane at Rimini, Italy, Oct. 16, 1944.

Many Reserve Seats For Peace-Time Ocean Flights

Such is the interest in trans-ocean flying that the traffic department of Trans-Canada Air Lines reports 54 persons had requested that their names be recorded on a waiting list for the first peace-time commercial crossing of the Atlantic as of last November 30th.

T.C.A. operates the trans-Atlantic service for the Dominion Government, carrying mail, freight and high-priority passengers. During the month of November, 12 east-bound and 13 west-bound flights were completed between Montreal and the United Kingdom. These involved the movement of 129,616 pounds of mail, 9,760 pounds of freight and 100 passengers.

**World's Largest Sub**  
Was Lost In The Caribbean Sea

In 1942  
The French Navy Ministry said that the submarine Surcouf—the world's largest—was lost in April, 1942, in the Caribbean Sea in "an accident" with an American freighter.

A spokesman said the Navy Ministry had no details of the sinking as the collision or ramming occurred at night when the undersize craft happened to surface near an American convoy. There were no survivors of the submarine crew.

The captain of the ship reported sinking a submarine. By comparing dates American and French officials concluded the sunken craft was the Surcouf.

The Trans-vaal Molesna, eat no pork, drink no liquor, pray five times a day and rest on Friday.

Switzerland is one of the most highly industrialized states in Europe.

### Some Useful Hints

Ways In Which Butter Can Be Made To Go Further

To help the butter spread thinner and go further, it should always be removed from the refrigerator some time before a meal or before making sandwiches so that it will soften. For table use or for sandwiches, try whipping half a cup of milk which should be at room temperature into half a pound of butter add salt to taste, mould and chill until firm.

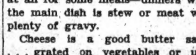
Baked potatoes are hard on butter when served the usual way, but little or no butter is needed if the centres are scooped out when the potatoes are baked, mashed up light and fluffy with cream or top milk, and then stuffed back into the skins.

It saves to serve individual servings of butter balls at meals and to mix home and butter as a spread for breakfast toast.

The butter plate need not appear at all for some meals—dinners when the main dish is stew or meat with plenty of gravy.

Cheese is a good butter saver . . . grated on vegetables or used with bread crumbs for topping casserole dishes.

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## THE BIG THREE

A thousand years of history may be at stake as the Big Three meet to find a common plan. The happiness, lives and freedom of hundreds of millions of people depend on the decisions they make. They have to find their way through a welter of opposing interests. Greece, Poland, Belgium already show the clash of economic forces, ideologies and faiths which must be reckoned with. The Big Three have to find a plan which may not please everyone, but will be acceptable to all.

We expect them to do it. But we can do more than have great expectations. We can undergird their efforts.

It is a simple matter of multiplication. The Big Three are expected to find a common mind, to work together. But there are little threes in every country, every office, every farm, round every fireside. They have a part. However much the Big Three achieve, total victory will only be won by the pull-together spirit of all the little threes. The Big Three find a plan. It has to be translated in terms of people. That is the real job.

President Roosevelt said recently, "Peace can be made and kept only by the united determination of free and peace loving people, who are willing to work and fight together in perfect co-operation and harmony."

We have got to get together with the people on each side of us. That makes three. The problems are the same for all—differences of personality, background, point of view, nationality. Plain speaking helps, but not when it is one-sided. When we speak as honestly of our own mistakes and failings as we sometimes do about others, then plain speaking becomes a basis for teamwork.

For there is more to teamwork than getting along together. It is no easy-going policy of live and let live. Teamwork is a fighting alliance. It means every family out to build sound home life, every section out to bring unity to the nation, every nation playing its full part in building a world that works.

## HIRING HOUSEWIVES FOR PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT

Housewives may now be engaged for part-time jobs, for a period of up to three full work shifts in a week without a Selective Service permit, according to a statement issued by Arthur MacNamara, director of national selective service.

Previously, selective service required permits wherever a housewife was being engaged for more than 24 hours employment in the week. The new rule permits employment without permit, even where the three full shifts total more than 24 hours work for the week.

Also in future it will not be necessary for an employer engaging a housewife for not more than three work shifts in the week, to secure permission of national selective service to advertise for this type of employee.

The new ruling arises out of an interpretation of "part-time" subsidiary employment," which is exempted un-

der selective service regulations from permit requirements.

## SHOULD TELL EAST ABOUT ALBERTA

Senator W. A. Buchanan, of Lethbridge, president of the Canadian Press Association, speaking in Calgary, has said that Alberta's resources, if properly developed, could sustain the densest population of any part of the continent. In this he was quoting Prof. Taylor, of the University of Toronto.

Alberta said the speaker, has the most varied and extensive resources and the best future of any province in the Dominion.

Too many persons forgot, he said, that all of Canada's best mountain resorts are in Alberta, not BC, and that with proper development of these a rich tourist trade could be obtained. Good highways were a prerequisite, he insisted. They would do more than any amount of advertising to entice American motorists.

Coal should be considered as much more than a fuel, he advised. Germany had built all her industries around it. Its secondary uses, in making dyes and chemicals, for instance, were enormous. The royal commission now sitting should extend its investigations to include these new uses, he said. On the basis of coal alone the province could expand its population almost without limit.

The role of irrigation in the province's development was stressed. Irrigation alone had "made" the whole Lethbridge territory, now the most prosperous and most thickly settled farm area in the province. New projects now being conceived would reclaim and restore the vast area east and northeast of Medicine Hat now barren. The famous Pearce plan would give new life to the east central section.

"If the Dominion government does not soon make use of all the St. Mary's river water rights conceded to us by the United States, we may lose that water," the senator warned. American farmers were anxious to use it.

A federal commission to investigate, develop and administer all the water resources of the prairies, both for power and irrigation, was strongly advocated. The speaker regretted this country had not yet made a comprehensive approach to the subject as was done by the Tennessee Valley Authority and now by the Missouri Valley Authority.

Vision was also lacking with respect to the North West Territories, said Senator Buchanan. Comparable parts of Siberia were now supporting cities of from 50,000 to 100,000 population. The Alaska Highway was not being as enthusiastically endorsed by Canada as by the United States.

Other points made by the speaker were that agricultural high schools should be developed as a means of keeping bright young people on the farms, that banks and mortgage and loan companies had been instrumental in the development of the west and could do much more, that more westerners should tell the east about this part of the Dominion, and that Alberta would have a major role in international air transportation.—Ex.

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## ENGINEER RETURNS

Paul Johnson, CBC engineer, formerly of CBK, Watrous, has returned from extended service with CBC's overseas unit, and will be attached to the international shortwave service as assistant to R. D. Cahoon, engineer-in-charge. Paul was married overseas to one of the first WD's to arrive in England, also a Johnston, though with a "L." Mrs. Johnson lives at Altona, Manitoba.

## THE HUMAN TOUCH THAT COUNTS

'Tis the human touch in the world that counts,  
The touch of your hand and mine,  
Which means far more to the aching heart  
Than shelter and bread and wine:  
For shelter is gone when the night is o'er,  
And bread lasts only a day;  
But the touch of a hand and the sound of a voice  
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Andrew Irwin, who for the past nine years has served as Indian agent in the Cranbrook district, has been superannuated.



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## SEA CADET OFFICERS' TRAINING FOR WESTERN CANADA

Coincident with the series of two-week training courses for Royal Canadian Sea Cadet officers from Fort William east, at HMCS "Cornwallis," at Digby, NS, will be a similar series for those from Winnipeg west at HMCS "Naden," Victoria, BC. The "Cornwallis" courses are now under way, while those at "Naden" will begin February 19th. Both series will conclude March 31st.

It was announced at navy league headquarters that approximately 175 will attend the courses on the west coast, representing a large percentage of the total officer strength of the 35 Sea Cadet corps in western Canada.

These courses, like those at "Cornwallis," will be featured by a sea trip when these business and professional men who don uniforms and instruct Canada's youth will gain practical knowledge aboard ship.

Responsibility for Sea Cadet and officer training is held by the naval service and the courses at "Cornwallis" and "Naden" are a part of the naval service training programme.

Mrs. Angus: "I suppose you carry a meningo of some sort in that lock of yours?"

Mrs. Peter: "Yes, it's a lock of my husband's hair."

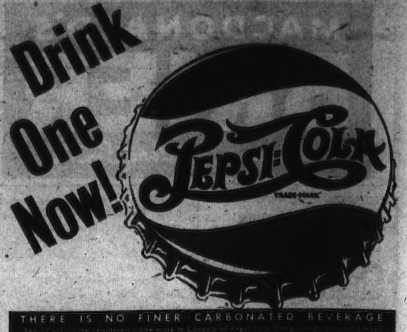
"But your husband is still alive."

"Yes, but his hair is gone."

"In England, of course," went on the German school teacher, "the people never see oranges. In America they never see butter."

"What are oranges, and what is butter?" asked a pupil.

We understand that a deal has just been consummated whereby the Fincher Creek branch of the Canadian Legion, BESL, become owners of the T. Label block.



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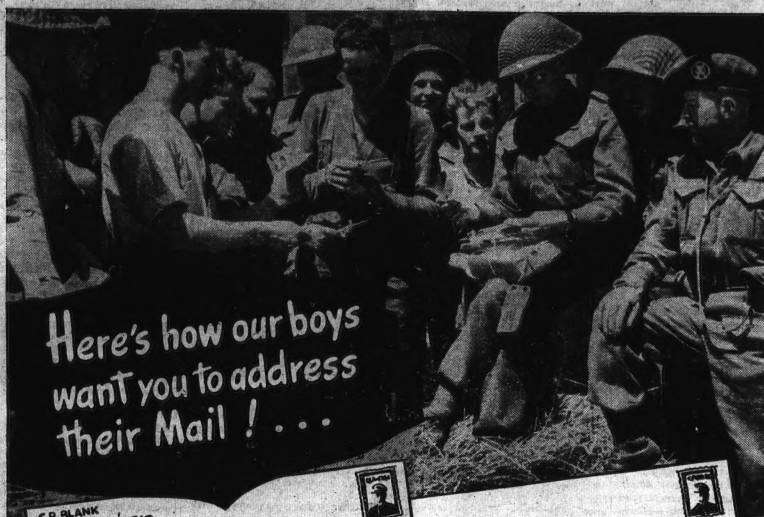
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## Plan Massive Attacks In Effort To End The War

LONDON.—The military consequences of the Black Sea conferences are more far-reaching than those of any such preceding meetings. For the first time in this war detailed staff arrangements are being made among military men of all three powers.

The presence at the conference of Marshal Alexander Vassilievsky, Gen. George Marshall and Gen. Alan Brooke, the Soviet, United States and British chiefs of staff, is indicated in the communiqué. That they should meet at this time with the Soviet offensive in full swing and the Germans believing that the western offensive is imminent, is highly significant.

The military situation in Germany with two giant Allied forces approaching each other from the east and west clearly calls for the closest co-operation and liaison. The communiqué's reference to "joint military operations" and statement that their purpose was "to concert plans" suggests that preparations have been concluded for what might be called a "supreme Anglo-American-Russian command for the battle of Germany."

The Black Sea conference will probably only decide on the grand strategy and leave the details to be filled in at a more convenient place for the preparation of the actual military plans. What will have been decided probably will be the personnel of the new set-up, the Russian, United States and British commanders allocated for the liaison operation. Another point in which the Russians are deeply interested is the co-ordination of the British and American bomber commands with the land armies.

As a result of the conference certain changes and regrouping of the Allied forces in the west may therefore take place. It is not clear, however, whether bomber command will remain an independent organization or whether it will be included into the new supreme command.

The phrasing of the communiqué also suggests that the next phase of the Soviet offensive will be accompanied by an all-out attack from the west. Nothing has so far been said of an appeal to Germany at this stage—a political move feared by the Nazis.

The conference was primarily concerned in its first phase, with urgent military affairs. The communiqué said the staffs are now working on the joint plans, as there is bound to be some interval between the completion of the plans and the beginning of the operations planned it has to be assumed that there will be an interval of a few weeks before the full impact of the Black Sea plans will be felt on the east and western battlefields of Germany.

Prime Minister Churchill was said to have taken to the conference reports from inside the Reich of possible disintegration in the northern sections of Germany both militarily and politically.

As a result of this information it was considered possible that the Allied leaders had decided the time was ripe for launching massive assaults from the east and west in an all-out, final, co-ordinated offensive to conclude the war now.

## POST-WAR PROJECTS

Outlined in Throne Speech At Opening Of Manitoba Legislature

WINNIPEG.—A comprehensive program of legislation designed to implement various government post-war projects was outlined in the speech from the throne read to the opening of the fourth session of the 1st Manitoba legislature.

The speech, read by Lieutenant-Governor R. F. McWilliams, forecast an early start towards full implementation of the government's health scheme, rural electrification project, veterinarian services, education and rehabilitation plans. It announced appointment of a special board under the department of health and public welfare to deal with old age and blind pension problems and steps to co-ordinate all correctional schools under the attorney-general's department.

### NEW SUEZ CANAL

LONDON.—Britain is planning a 200-mile Suez Canal through Palestine, the Daily Sketch said. It said the projected waterway would link the port of Akko in Palestine with the Gulf of Akaba at the top of the Red Sea, after passing through the Dead Sea—which for the first time in history will be opened up.

## Archbishop Of Canterbury And Wife



Dr. Geoffrey Francis Fisher, bishop of London since the outbreak of the war, recently chosen archbishop of Canterbury, is shown with his wife at Fulham palace, their residence. Dr. Fisher, who is 57, will be the 97th archbishop of Canterbury, the highest primate of the Church of England.

## Allied Forces May Strike At The China Coast

Fall of Manila to liberating forces of the United States 8th and 8th armies may bring appreciably closer Allied re-occupation of Hong Kong, semi-official British sources said.

Most speculation regarding the next major move of ground forces of the southwest Pacific command centred on the likelihood of a great amphibious attack on either the island of Formosa or the coast of China itself, some distance from Hong Kong.

The latter move has been anticipated by the enemy for some weeks. Japanese forces recently have made a series of landings in China coastal areas with the manifest intent to forestall Allied landing attempts there.

But it remained a distinct possibility that Allied strategists might lunge straight for Hong Kong, British colony on the China coast—some 250 miles from Clark field on Luzon—where 1,689 officers and men of two Canadian regiments on garrison duty were taken prisoner Christmas day, 1941.

Probable deciding factor in choosing the next point of Allied assault in the Pacific theatre lies in disposition of amphibious material. No recent official disclosure points to whether or not the Allies can spare sufficient of this from their European and Burmese campaigns to make such an attack on Hong Kong feasible in the immediate future.

## HOUSING PROJECT

Twenty-Four Prefabricated Homes Have Been Completed In Kimberley, B.C.

KIMBERLEY, B.C.—The first prefabricated housing project in the Kootenay area of southeastern British Columbia has just been completed here.

Although the 24 houses are identical in plan, no two of them are exactly alike in one block because of differences in shade, trim and angles.

The project was financed by the operators of the Sullivan mine and will result to employees on a 10-year-payment plan.

## FRENCH ARMY

Will Take Big Part In Occupation Of Germany, Says Gen. De Gaulle

LONDON.—The French army gradually will become the predominant element in the occupation of Germany, Gen. de Gaulle said in a speech broadcast from Paris. He added that France now has twice as many front line troops as she had last December.

"We have let our allies know that France will not regard herself as bound by any arrangement which she has not discussed and approved on equal terms as the other powers and we hope our allies will see this in the same light," Gen. de Gaulle said.

## HELD BY NAZIS

LYON, France.—An investigation by the International Red Cross has shown that the French leader Edouard Herriot is in good health in a German detention camp, the mayor's office reported.



—Photograph: Canadian National Railways

Thousands of babies will be washed and dressed on this assembly line in the next year or two when most of the 26,000 British wives, who married Canadian servicemen overseas, and their babies will be coming to Canada to their new homes. The Canadian National Railways, with the co-operation of the Canadian Red Cross Society, has set up a nursery, special rest room and a welcome canteen at Bonaventure Station for their convenience when passing through Montreal, centre for connecting train to all parts of the Dominion. The photograph shows members of the Voluntary Nursing Auxiliary of the Red Cross caring for the babies, while the insets show two of the nurses minding babies while the mothers rest.

## Canadian Paratroopers In Belgium



This picture shows a section of Canadian paratroopers in action in Belgium being led into a Belgian town by Sgt. T. H. Pasquel of Nepean, Man., Pte. L. L. Gagnier, Valleyfield, Que.; Pte. N. Cabute, Toronto; Pte. R. C. Ferlicke, Hamilton, Ont.; Pte. H. L. Anderson, St. Thomas, Ont., and Pte. J. Blais, Shawinigan Falls, Que.

## Nazis Are Said To Be Preparing For Final Stand

BERNE.—New arrivals from Germany reported that tremendous new stocks of supplies are being poured into mountain strongholds in the Munich area, where Hitler is preparing a last-ditch defence when Berlin and northern Germany are conquered. Gestapo chief Himmler, these sources said, will join Hitler in his mountain-top stronghold at Berchtesgaden after he conducts the defence of Berlin. He will aid in the command of thousands of fanatic Nazis expected to fight to the last to defend the Fuehrer.

Civilian transport around Munich has practically ceased and the normal food supply is disrupted, these sources said. One story is that last week women formed a line across a highway at Munich, stopped an army truck and seized the food, it contained.

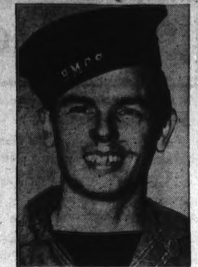
Much of last year's harvest in Poland, large stocks of coal and great stocks of food and armament are being stored in caves around Munich, it was reported.

There is a rumor current in Berlin diplomatic circles that several high Nazis, including Goering, hope to use King Leopold of Belgium and possibly Marshal Petain as hostages in a deal for their own liberty.

Himmler and Hitler are not mentioned among those reported manœuvring for their safety. Even anti-Nazi Germans expect them to fight to the end. Hitler is believed to be in Berchtesgaden now.

Buy War Savings Stamps regularly

## Prisoner For A Week



Prisoner-of-war for one whole week—that's the unusual record of this cheery sailor, Stkr. Charles Joy, R.C.N.V.R., of Regina. He and two other Canadians were captured by Vichy French soldiers after the British ship in which they had been serving was shelled and sunk in the harbor of Oran during the North African landings in November, 1942. They were shifted from one prison camp to another and then to a third before the American capture of Oran liberated them a week later. Stkr. Joy lost 17 pounds in those few days. Now he is serving in the Corvette H.M.C.S. Guelph in the North Atlantic.

## GIFT PACKAGES

May Now Be Sent To France By Private Citizens

OTTAWA.—The post office department announced that food, toilet articles and drugs now may be mailed to France in packages prepaid at letter rate of postage.

Total weight of the package must not exceed four pounds five ounces and total value must not exceed \$25. Sending of packages is limited to private citizens and may not be undertaken by relief organizations or others. No person may send more than two packages a week and each must be to different addresses.

The packages are restricted to gifts and may not include commercial shipments. At present contents must be limited to food, toilet articles and drugs and are subject to any French regulations restricting imports. The rate of postage which applies is four cents for the first ounce and two cents for each subsequent ounce.

## NEWS FROM BALKANS

Handled Exclusively By Russia And Other Reporters Admitted

WASHINGTON.—Soviet Russia has a virtual stranglehold on news reporting in the Balkans and insists on maintaining it despite American urgings that correspondents be admitted freely into the area.

In Rome public relations officers at Allied headquarters said prolonged negotiations had failed to gain access for American and British correspondents as a group to any of the Balkan countries except Greece.

Greece is a British military area. The rest of the Balkans is a sphere of Russian military operations.

## AWARDED MEDAL

ROME.—British appreciation of the services of Italian partisans of the 8th Army front was shown when Lt. Gen. Sir Richard MacReary, commander of the 8th Army, pinned a gold medal on the breast of Lt. Arrigo Boldrini, who, under the name of "Bulow", has been commanding the 28th partisan brigade serving the Ravenna Committee of Liberation.

## Concert Plans For Building Of A Lasting Peace

WASHINGTON.—The "Big Three", in secret, historic session in the Black Sea area, have agreed to aim co-ordinated, knockout punches at black-weakening Germany, and now are discussing a "secure peace."

This was disclosed in an official announcement that President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin are in session with their highest diplomatic and military advisers.

The tone of the pronouncement indicated they have substantial hope for achieving real Anglo-American-Russian co-operation for the future of Europe and the world.

A three-power statement issued in Washington, Moscow and London gave the first official word of the meeting which practically the whole world knew was taking place. The statement showed that the military phase of the talks had ended and the critical political discussions have begun.

Three over-all political subjects were listed in the official report, released by the White House here:

1. Joint plans "for the occupation and control of Germany." The Big Three have long since agreed on unconditional surrender and on plans for the initial stage of military occupation. The problem now is how to keep Germany weak and unable to start a new war.

2. The "political and economic problems of liberated Europe." Every liberated country in Europe now has a shortage of some kind of essential civilian supplies and all of them are real or potential powder barrels politically. Hottest spots are in the Balkans where British and Russian influences and interests conflict.

3. Proposals for the "earliest possible establishment of a permanent international organization to maintain peace." The main problem here has been the conflict between Russia and the United States over the question of a great power veto in the world security council. Britain has been seeking a compromise and is expected to get it. A major question also is that of mandated territories, such as the strategic islands formerly held by Japan in the central Pacific.

The purpose of the Big Three is "to concert plans for completing the defeat of the common enemy and for building with the allies, firm foundations for a lasting peace," the official announcement said.

Another point which has been speculated upon is the need for closest kind of co-operation between the Anglo-American armies advancing into Germany in the west and the Russian armies advancing from the east. The announced "complete agreement for joint military operations" was immediately interpreted to mean that machinery for the co-operation had been achieved.

This interpretation was supported by the statement that "the military staffs of the three governments are now engaged in working out jointly the detailed plan."

Notable missing from the military paragraph of this statement was any ultimatum to the Germans to surrender.

The emphasis was on continuing military pressure until Germany is crushed.

## BEAT OFF ATTACK

Although Outnumbered By Japs British Held Important Hill

ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS, Southeast Asia Command.—Forty British commandos, who successfully held an important hill feature in Arakan near Kangaw against fanatical attacks by 10 times their number of Japanese, were, in some cases, reduced to fighting with their bare fists until reinforcements arrived.

The commandos, veterans of North Africa, Norway and pre-D-Day French landings, killed 340 Japanese in this successful stand.

## B.C. DEVELOPMENT

VICTORIA.—Establishment of a provincial hydro-electric commission to develop power throughout British Columbia, particularly in rural areas, and a broad program of highway construction and maintenance were forecast in the speech from the throne read at the opening of the fourth session of the 20th legislative assembly.

A soldier needs 306 pounds of meat in a year, but the average civilian needs only 172 pounds.



## MUST EXPECT A CHANGE

The thousands of good jobs due to the war boom cannot last forever, and there must be general appreciation of that fact if there is not to be too much disappointment on the part of workers as they turn to other employment that is available.

Canada has been riding on a great economic wave and the demand for workers has been greater than ever before in our history. Many young men and women have enjoyed unusually high wages and full-time employment. Some have acquired new skills that should enable them to secure good jobs afterwards. But the majority will have to accept the new situation in which conditions are not quite so favorable as those they have enjoyed.

It will be the responsibility of the government and of private industry to expedite the change from war production to peacetime production so as to provide new employment as the work on war contracts comes to an end. It will be the responsibility of the Dominion employment service, also, to do everything possible to place workers in available jobs in their own localities or elsewhere. And the employment service, organized by the unemployment insurance commission as an essential part of its work, is the most efficient which this country has ever had.

But in addition, the workers will need to be realistic and recognize that the particularly good times for them in the last few years could not be permanent. If they do this, they will accept the best employment that offers, and if Canada prospers under the new world conditions, as there is reason to hope it will, there will be more jobs and better ones than in the pre-war days.

## Local and General Items

It isn't only the big shots that need to be square shooters.

If we keep our eyes on the faults of others, we will fall over our own.

To take part in the fight for a new and better world, we have got to be new and better ourselves.

Among the repatriated firmen to arrive in Canada during the week was FO R. G. Truba, of Bellevue.

Dr. Victor Wright has resigned the chairmanship of the Alberta Workers' Compensation Board.

A sixty-two-year-old bachelor, Robert Thomas, was burned to death in his cabin near Calgary on Wednesday morning.

The U.S. undersecretary of war stated Wednesday that in the opinion of military leaders the end of the fighting in Europe is in sight.

Since December 7, 1941, the war has cost the United States \$238,000,000,000, seven times what the first great war cost the United States through June of 1919.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Maddison announce the marriage of their daughter, Fern Dolores, to Mr. Clifford C. Miller, on Friday, February 9th, Rev. Jas. McKelvey officiating. Mr. and Mrs. L. Cecchini were witnesses.

A recent occurrence, attracting wide attention, was the advent of five sets of twins, all born within thirteen days at the Durban Mothers' Hospital in South Africa. Seven are girls, three boys, and all are reported healthy.

Carl Hansen, operating a sawmill and lumber camp for the Satoria Lumber Co. at Linn Creek, BC, suffered injuries to his right leg last week, necessitating his layoff for a while. He returned to Blairmore on Saturday last.

Liquor and beer drinkers in British Columbia spent more than \$30,000,000 on their beverages in the fiscal year 1943-44, and in so doing contributed nearly one-fifth of the entire revenue of the provincial treasury. It is a bigger curse than the old system of less restriction.

Discontinuance of all appeals in any form for collection and purchasing supplies for Allied countries has been announced by the prices board chairman after conferring with relief fund officials. Cash contributions to the aid to Russia fund have not been prohibited.

Further changes in the holiday period for Alberta schools are being drafted and will be announced shortly. It is understood the summer holiday will be in the nature of a compromise between pre-war holidays and the 1944 holiday, which was from July 17 to September 29.

The former home of the late Mr. Ed. Royle and Mrs. Royle, on Fifth Avenue south, has changed hands, the new occupants being Mr. and Mrs. George Dau, who recently returned from Toronto. We understand that Mrs. Royle will make her home with her daughter at Hanley, Sask.

Coleman will have a municipal election on Monday next to fill the office of one councillor. Two candidates have been nominated, George Ford, a former councillor, and Adam Wilson, insurance agent. The vacancy was caused by the resignation of Councillor Frank Abousafy, who is now mayor.

At the annual meeting of the Lundbreck Red Cross, held recently, the following officers were re-elected for the year: Mrs. L. Herbig, president; Mrs. J. T. Walters, vice-president; Mrs. A. Noel Cox, secretary-treasurer. The substantial sum of \$1,094.31 was taken in during the year, raised through membership fees, donations, pure-bred cattle raffle, market day and booths at cattle sales.

Editor Clyde C. Jessup of the Nanton News has been elected mayor of Nanton, succeeding O. E. Smith.

Cranbrook Rebekahs raised \$243.95 for prisoners of war fund at a recent tea and cookery sale.

Twenty years ago Dr. H. L. Large announced that he would open a dental office in Cranbrook.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack C. Connick, of Fernie, were recent visitors to Calgary.

Take care of your pennies and the tax collector will take care of your dollars.

We never could find grandma's glasses, but now she leaves them just where she empties them.

Mrs. J. Boorman was a visitor to Lethbridge on Tuesday, where she addressed the Lethbridge Presbyterian of the United Church WMS.

Coals from four districts in Alaska have been tested, and all can be used to produce gasoline and other liquid fuels.

Fernie's annual Rotary ice carnival is to be held on Wednesday night next, with an excellent programme, including the crowning of the queen.

Sergt. George Krossing, son of Mrs. Florence Krossing, of Coleman, who had been reported missing on active service, is now reported prisoner of war under Germany.

Following the regular meeting of Blairmore Lodge of Elks on Tuesday night next a ladies' night will be observed from 8.30. A big attendance is expected.

Mrs. Clara Lyndon, former resident of Claresholm, died in Calgary during the week, age 63. Her husband, Col. Lyndon, predeceased her six years ago.

Hon. Solon Low announces that Alberta will pay every cent of its debts, and that a solution is very near and bondholders and people will be satisfied.

Mr. and Mrs. James Serra, of Banff, announce the engagement of their only son, Dante, to Miss Zeona Best, of Port Arthur, the marriage to take place shortly.

A woman at Kirkland Lake, Ontario, was strangled to death when a towel she had around her neck was caught in the wringer of a washing machine.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. King (nee Milda Bond) at the Holy Cross hospital, Calgary, on Wednesday, January 3rd, a son, Richard Brian. Mrs. King is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bond, well known old-time residents of Blairmore.

Joseph Huber, aged 80, former resident of Wetaaskiw, passed away in the Cranbrook hospital on Tuesday of last week. Since last July he had been living with his son, Ben Huber, at Ta Ta Creek. The remains were shipped to Wetaaskiw for burial.

Last Sunday through some mistake (we hope) the Turkey and Chicken for the JAVA SHOP was sent to some other party. Therefore, we feel very sorry that we were not able to serve a TURKEY DINNER, but we can assure you that from now on it will never re-occur. In fact, from now on, we will serve TURKEY DINNER every day in the week except Monday at 75 cents full course: TURKEY DINNER with p/e a la mode or your favorite sundae for dessert.—Philomena Riva.

ESTRAY ANIMALS. Location SE 1/4 S. 25, Twp. 7, R. 3, W. 3 M., near Burnin, property of William Michalsky. 1 Black Mare, about seven years old, blaze face, right front foot white to near knee, right hind foot white to rear hock, no visible brand. 1 Black Mare Colt, at foot raising two years, white spot on forehead, spot of white on right hind foot, also small white spot on left hind foot near hoof, no visible brand. Approximate weight older animal 800 lbs., approximate weight colt 400 lbs.

J. P. O'NEILL, Brand Reader, Blairmore, Alberta, Feb. 12, 1945.

Try this one eating a cracker! A skunk sat on a stump. The skunk think the stump stunk and the stump think the skunk stunk.

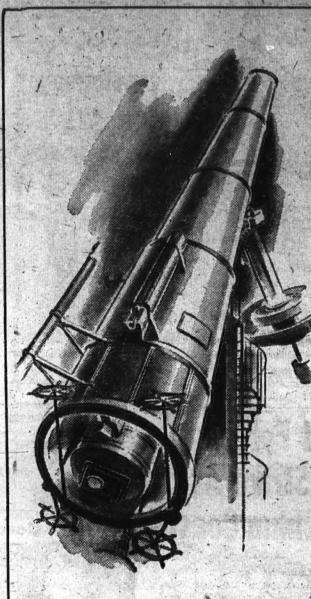
Payment of \$380,227 has been made by the Alberta government to hospitals under the Maternity Hospitalization Act. There have been 12,650 mothers benefited.

A little boy's school essay read: "The armistice was signed on November 11th, 1918, and since then we have had two minutes peace every year."

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AB Joe Gellinas, who is located at a Nova Scotia port, arrived in Blairmore by Sunday night's train on a brief furlough visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gellinas.



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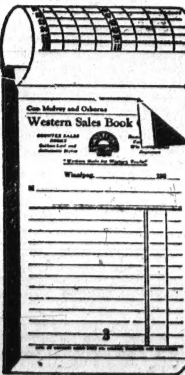
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